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1. WE APPRECIATE INFORMATION PROVIDED REFTELRELIST OF
SITES. BLOOM, WHO WILL LEAD VISIT, WILL CHAIR MEETING
HERE ON TUESDAY JULY 16 OF EXPERTS WHO WILL BE MAKING
TRIP. TEAM'S PREFERENCES WILL BE FORWARDED FOLLOWING
THAT MEETING. TENTATIVE LIST OF TEAM MEMBERS IS AS FOLLOWS:

ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION: UNDETERMINED

DEPT OF COMMERCE: DAVID CHANG

DEPT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT: GERALD LEIGHTON

DEPT OF INTERIOR: BUREAU OF MINES: BRIAN M. HARNEY;

BONNEVILLE POWER ADMIN: HARRY D. HURLESS

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY: GREGORY ONDICH AND

CURT YEAGER

FEDERAL ENERGY ADMIN: WILLIAM PORTER AND MELVIN

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION: HENRY BIRNBAUM AND

LOUIS V. DIVONE

DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION: MYRON MILLER AND RICHARD STROMBOTNE

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(FYI: PARTICIPATION OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS NOT ASSURED IN LIGHT OF STATEMENT PARA ONE REFTEL NOTING GOJ MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT HAS NOTHING PARTICULAR IN MIND AS YET.)

FULL TITLES OF PARTICIPANTS AND THEIR PROTOCOL RANK WILL BE FORWARDED FOLLOWING TUESDAY MEETING.

2. DOT WAS SURPRISED BY MOT STATEMENT IN VIEW OF RECENT U.S./JAPAN TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH PANEL MEETING IN WASHINGTON WHICH DISCUSSED MOT-DOT COOPERATION IN FIELD OF ENERGY CONSERVATION R&D. AT PANEL MEETING, JAPANESE OFFICIALS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN DOT'S ENERGY CONSERVATION WORK, PARTICULARLY IN DOT'S AUTOMOTIVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM, AND DOT OFFICIALS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING JAPANESE PROGRAMS: HYBRID ENGINE DEVELOPMENT, STOP-START AUTO TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEMS, ENERGY SUPPLY/DEMAND MONITORING AND FORECASTING, EFFECTIVENESS OF JAPANESE TRANSPORTATION ENERGY ALLOCATION PROGRAM, EXPERIENCE WITH SMALL CAR-SMALL CAR COLLISIONS, CHANGES IN LAND USE POLICY, AND TRADE-OFFS BETWEEN NOX REDUCTION AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY. MILLER AND STROMBOTNE HAD INTENDED TO CONTINUE THE DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATION IN THE ABOVE AREAS BEGUN AT THE JUNE TRANSPORTATION AND RESEARCH PANEL MEETING. IF MOT NOT NOW IN POSITION TO DISCUSS ABOVE SUBJECTS WITH MILLER AND STROMBOTNE, EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO INFORM DEPT ASAP, AS THIS MAY NECESSITATE POSTPONEMENT DOT VISIT TO JAPAN.

3. BASED ON INFO IN REFTEL, SOME CHANGES IN ORIGINAL ITINERARY SEEM NECESSARY. TEAM WOULD LIKE TO MEET AT EMBASSY MORNING OF AUGUST 5 FOR COURTESY CALL ON CHARGE. FIRST GENERAL MEETING WITH GOJ COULD BE SCHEDULED FOR AFTERNOON AUGUST 5. PROPOSE THAT TUESDAY MORNING AUGUST 6 BE RESERVED FOR MITI DISCUSSIONS WITH INDIVIDUAL TEAM MEMBERS LEAVING TUESDAY AFTERNOON FOR SITE VISITS. PROPOSE TEAM RETURN TO TOKYO ON SUNDAY AUGUST 11. MONDAY MORNING AUGUST 12 TEAM WOULD LIKE TO MEET IN EMBASSY TO EXCHANGE IMPRESSIONS AND PREPARE FOR SECOND GENERAL MEETING WITH GOJ ON MONDAYAFTERNOON. TUESDAY AUGUST 13 COULD BE RESERVED FOR FOLLOW-ON MEETINGS IF NECESSARY OR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DESIRABLE.

4. AS SCHEDULE IS VERY FULL, AND TEAM MEMBERS WILL BE TRAVELING INDIVIDUALLY, THEY REQUEST THAT ENTERTAINMENT AND ANY PLANNED REPRESENTATIONAL FUNCTIONS BE KEPT TO A MINIMUM, UNLESS EMBASSY RECOMMENDS OTHERWISE.

5. TEAM MEMBERS ARE ALL SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE TOKYO ON SATURDAY AUGUST 3 FROM WASHINGTON VIA NORTHWEST ORIENT

AIRLINES NO. 3 AT 4:30 P.M., WITH EXCEPTION OF BLOOM WHO
WILL ARRIVE AUGUST 4 FROM SYDNEY ON JAL 772. ANY CHANGES
WILL BE COMMUNICATED TO EMBASSY BY CABLE. KISSINGER

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